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FROM: BOB GILLULY
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MISSOULA-----An improved Montana University ski team will embark December 31 for their first meet of the season, the International Intercollegiate Ski Meet at Rossland, British Columbia, according to coaches Bob Steele and Homer Anderson.

"We have some fine talent this season, and I feel that we'll be greatly improved over our performances of last year," Anderson commented. He added that the proximity of the 1960 NCAA meet--at Bridger Bowl near Bozeman--will give the slatmen added incentive for topnotch work.

The team has been bolstered by the return of letterman Rudy Ruana, Milltown, who was among the 10 best collegiate slalom men in the nation in 1957-58. Ruana didn't compete last season.

Other squad members are letterman John Manz, New Haven, Conn., cross country and jumping; John Vought, Missoula, slalom and down hill; Louis Buckmaster, Butte, jumping; and Allan Morris, Missoula, slalom and down hill. Alternates are Wayne Finney, Hamilton, and Bob Gordon, Missoula.

The Rossland match, scheduled Jan. 2-3, will consist of a 60-gate slalom race, a seven-mile cross county event; one and one-half mile downhill race, and 140-foot jumping competition.

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